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TV COMIC 5D

INSIDE FIREBALL XL5 AND SUPERCAR

AND OTHER TV FAVOURITES

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POPEYE
I'LL BUY OLIVE A CHOCOLATE EGG FOR AN EASTER PRESENT.
OH, WHAT A GORGEOUS HAT!
EASTER PRESENTS in all departments
$20
IT SUITS MODOM PERFECTLY!
I'LL HAVE IT!
MARK IT 'SOLD' AND PUT IT BACK IN THA WINDOW!
MY BOY FRIEND WILL BUY IT FOR ME!
YES, MODOM!
PUT IT UNDER THE COUNTER FOR MODOM. WE WILL RE-DRESS THE WINDOW WITH SPORTS GOODS.
HAT DEPARTMENT
YES, SIR!
HERE YA ARE, OLIVE!
GIVE IT TO SWEE'PEA! I WANT YA TO BUY ME SOMETHIN' DIFFERENT!
IT'S SUMP'N TO WEAR! AND IT'S AT THA CORNER STORE IN THA CENTRE OF THA WINDOW!
YA CAN'T MISS IT! IT'S PRICED AT TWENTY DOLLARS!
BLOW ME DOWN! THAT'S EVERY PENNY I'VE GOT!
I JUST CAN'T WAIT TO WEAR MY PRESENT IN THA EASTER PARADE!
EASTER PRESENTS in all departments
$20
HMPH! WELL, I RECKON SHE KNOWS HER OWN MIND!
THEY COST ME MY LAST DOLLAR! BUT I GUESS THAT'S WHAT YA WANT!
GRRR! THA VERY THINGS!
CHICK HENDERSON.
TAKE THAT!
SOK!
AWK! WHAT HAVE I DONE WRONG NOW?

FIREBALL XL5

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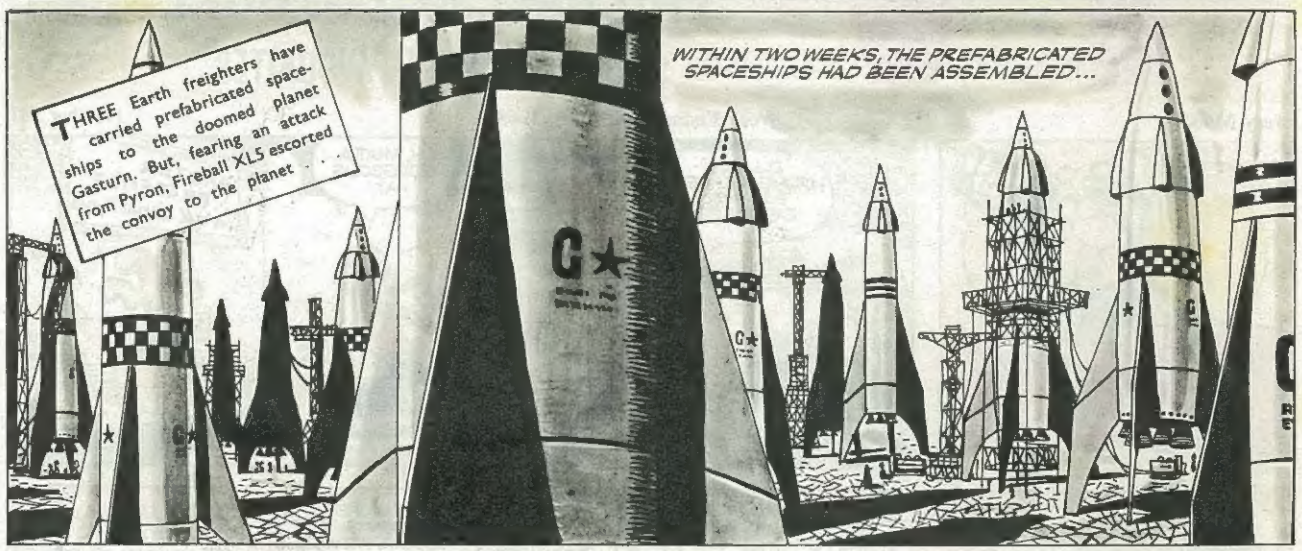
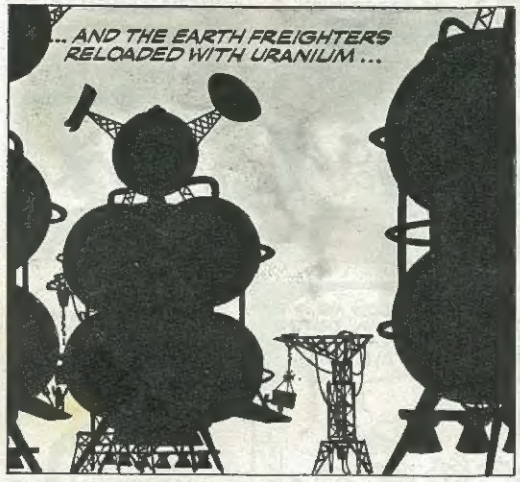
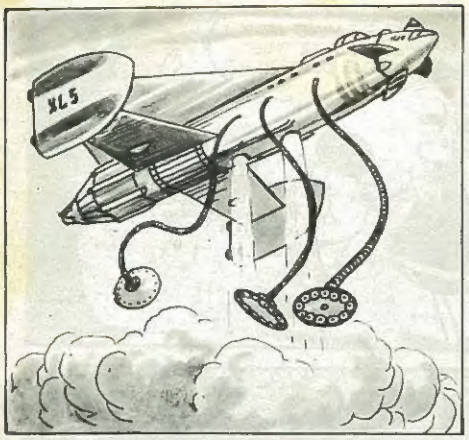
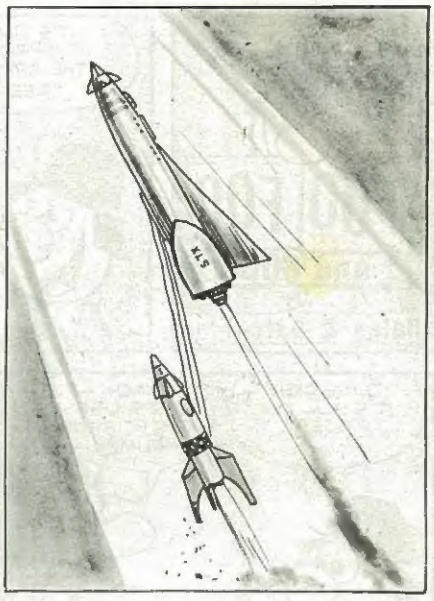

THREE Earth freighters have carried prefabricated spaceships to the doomed planet Gasturn. But, fearing an attack from Pyron, Fireball XL5 escorted the convoy to the planet . . .
WITHIN TWO WEEKS, THE PREFABRICATED SPACESHIPS HAD BEEN ASSEMBLED...

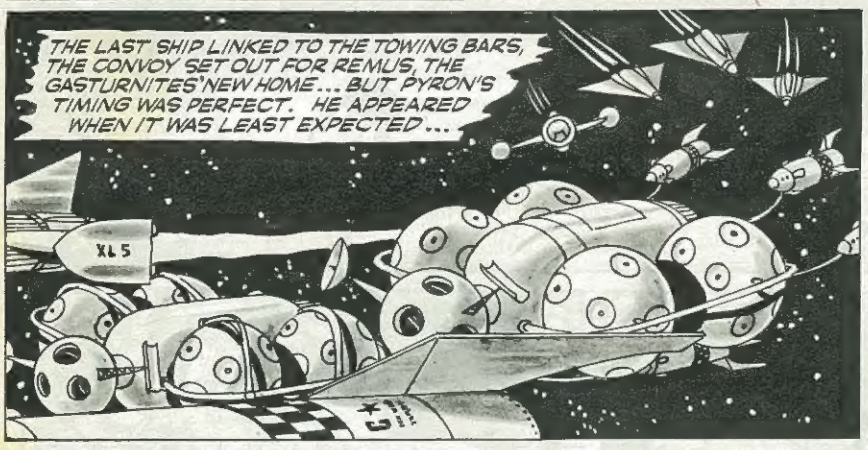


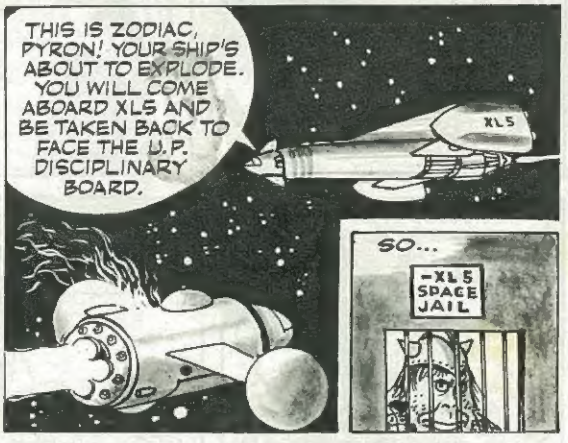
PHEW, THIS HEAT! THE GROUND'S BEGINNING TO CRACK, MAT. WILL WE BE IN TIME?
YEH, STEVE. THE FIRST TEN SHIPS ARE DUE FOR BLAST OFF NOW AND THE REST TOMORROW.

ON BOARD FIREBALL XL5, STEVE ZODIAC SAW THE PLIGHT OF THE SPACECRAFT...
AT THAT CRAZY ANGLE SHE'LL NEVER GET OFF GASTURN! MAT, RUN OUT THE MAGNETIC CLAMPS.
XL5






THE LAST SHIP LINKED TO THE TOWING BARS, THE CONVOY SET OUT FOR REMUS, THE GASTURNITES' NEW HOME... BUT PYRON'S TIMING WAS PERFECT. HE APPEARED WHEN IT WAS LEAST EXPECTED...
XL5


THIS IS ZODIAC, PYRON! YOUR SHIP'S ABOUT TO EXPLODE. YOU WILL COME ABOARD XL5 AND BE TAKEN BACK TO FACE THE U.P. DISCIPLINARY BOARD.
XL5
SO...
-XL5 SPACE JAIL

BECAUSE OF YOU, COLONEL ZODIAC, THE PEOPLE OF GASTURN CAN START A NEW LIFE. YOU AND YOUR CREW WILL ALWAYS BE WELCOME ON REMUS!
XL5

A new exciting Fireball story starts next week!

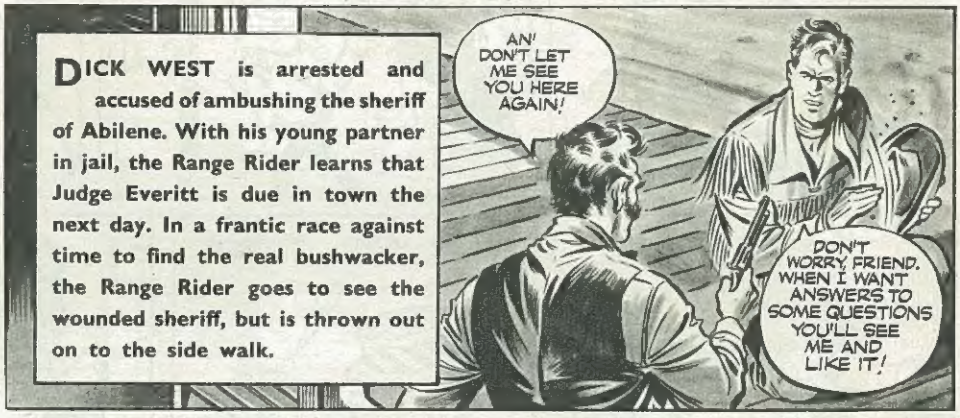
FOO FOO
and GOGO
by
Halas & Batchelor
IT'S TIME WE SPRAYED THE APPLE TREE!
BUT THAT OLD SPRAY GUN IS WORN OUT!
SHED
NEVER MIND, IT WILL DO FOR THIS LITTLE JOB—HUH?
PHUT!
YOU'RE RIGHT—IT'S ALL IN PIECES!
I KNOW—LET'S USE OUR STIRRUP PUMP!
READY?
GLUG!
THE ONLY SOLUTION IS TO USE MY LONG-SPOUTED WATERING CAN!
GOOD IDEA OF YOURS TO PUT THAT TANKFUL OF SPRAY UP THERE!
IT MAKES IT MUCH EASIER TO FILL THE CAN!
OOPS!
SPLOSH
GRR! HOW DARE YOU!
?
YERK!
CRASH!
SAY! HOW DO WE GET THE TANK DOWN NOW?
DON'T KNOW, BUT YOU SURE MADE A GOOD JOB OF SPRAYING THE TREE!

Adapted from ABC Television's series "Foo Foo."

Next week, Foo Foo has fun with Gogo's beard!

THE RANGE RIDER

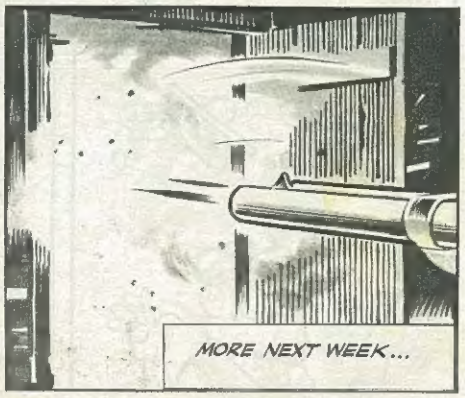
DICK WEST is arrested and accused of ambushing the sheriff of Abilene. With his young partner in jail, the Range Rider learns that Judge Everitt is due in town the next day. In a frantic race against time to find the real bushwacker, the Range Rider goes to see the wounded sheriff, but is thrown out on to the side walk.



MINUTES LATER, THE RANGE RIDER WAS TALKING TO DICK...
WHY ME, RIDER? I'VE NEVER BEEN TO ABILENE BEFORE IN MY LIFE.
THAT'S PROBABLY THE REASON, DICK.

HAS THE SHERIFF MADE ANY ENEMIES IN THE TIME HE'S BEEN HERE, DEPUTY?
I DON'T KNOW, STRANGER. I'VE ONLY BEEN HERE A FEW WEEKS MYSELF.

The Range Rider kept to the shadows as he swiftly moved down the main street. At the corner of the alley leading to the back of the saloon he stopped, making sure no one was watching him. Then, he disappeared in the black night. Silently, the Rider picked his way through the rubbish and jumble littered along the alley. In the background he could see the bold outline of his destination.



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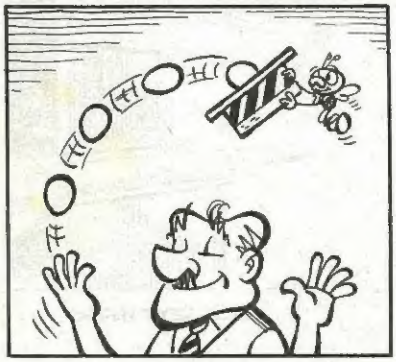
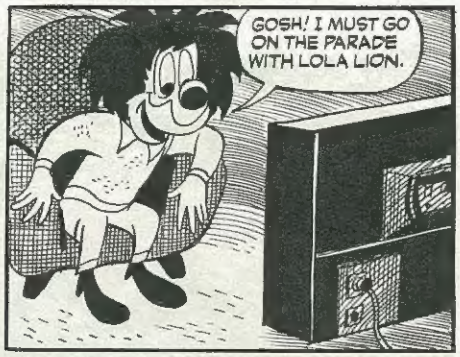
MIGHTY MOTH

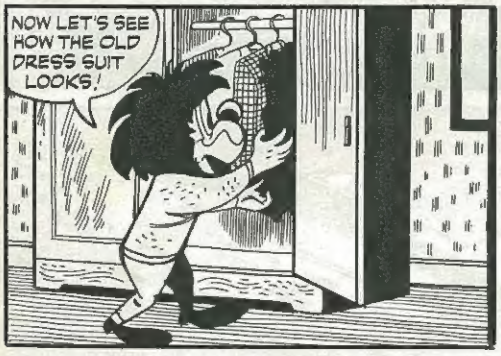


Next week, Dad makes a radio-controlled moth-walloper!

TERRY HALL'S

Lenny the Lion





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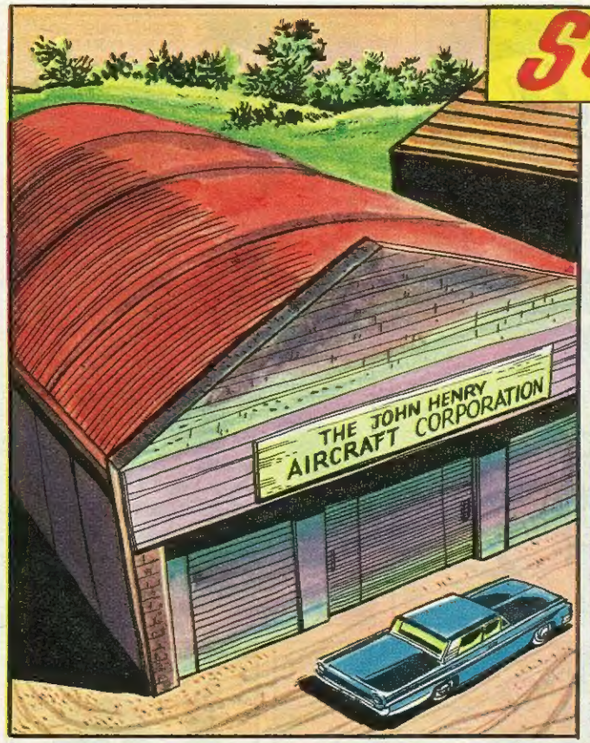
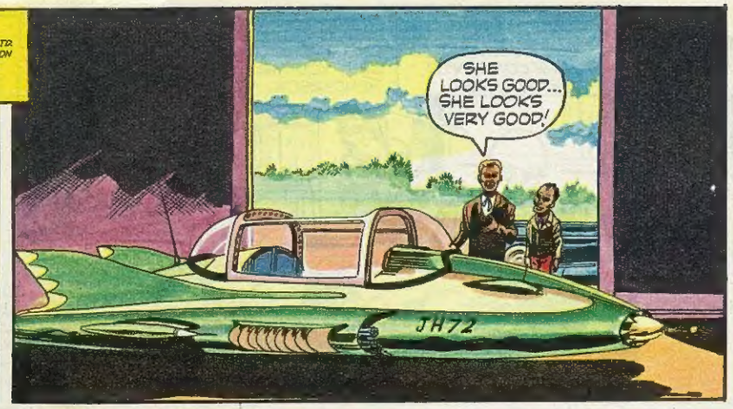
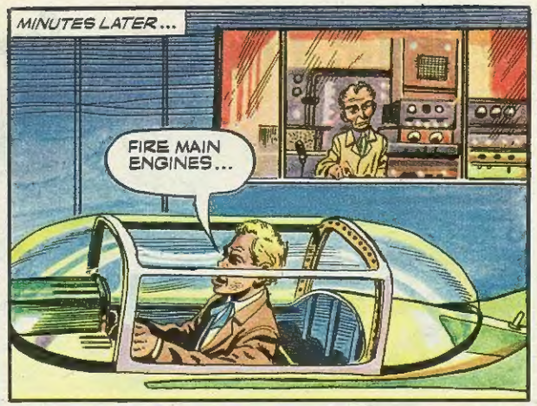
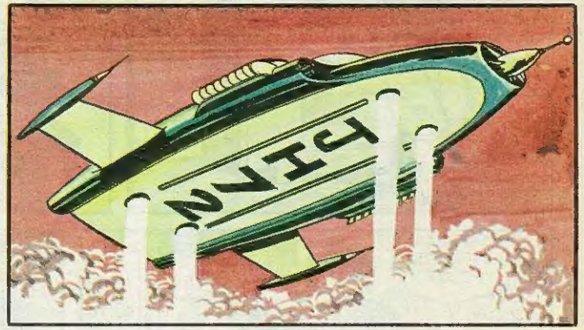
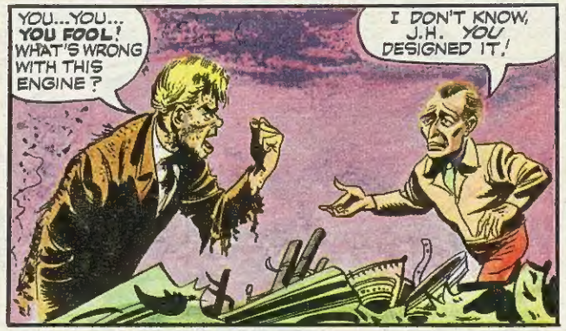




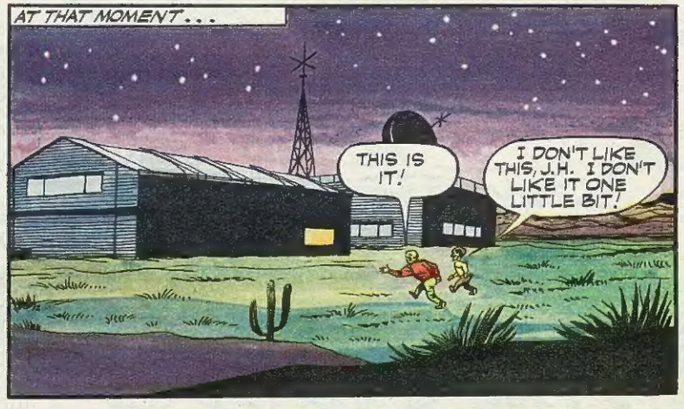


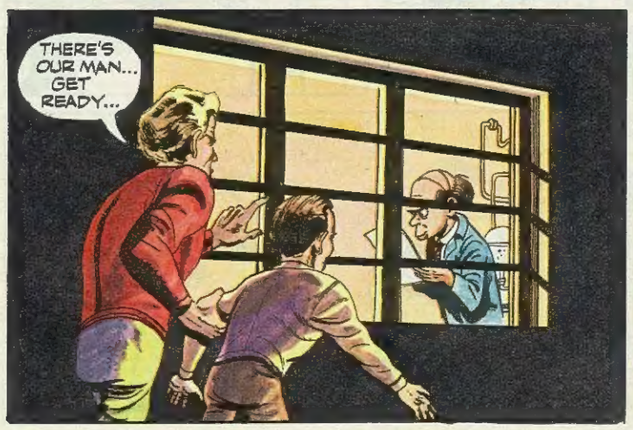




SAY, PROFESSOR...DID YOU READ THIS ARTICLE ON JOHN HENRY AND HIS PROJECT 72? HE SEEMS TO BE HAVING TROUBLE.
TO HAVE ANOTHER SUPERCAR WOULD BE A BAD THING, MIKE. ESPECIALLY IN THE HANDS OF A MAN LIKE MR. HENRY.

MAYBE SO, PROF, BUT I'M TOO TIRED TO THINK RIGHT NOW...GUESS I'LL HIT THE HAY.
YES...YES...WELL....EM, YOU TWO GO AHEAD, I'VE, AHM... A LITTLE JOB TO DO IN THE LAB!





THE LUCKY SUPERCAR CLUB LICENCE NUMBER THIS WEEK IS: 24,210.

What is going to happen to Dr. Beaker? Don't miss next week's TV COMIC!

The Dickie Henderson family

CALLED TO THEIR SOLICITOR'S OFFICE, DICKIE AND JUNE DISCOVER THAT THEY HAVE COME INTO AN INHERITANCE ...
THIS IS A PHOTO OF THE COUNTRY HOUSE YOUR UNCLE HUBERT ERNEST LEFT YOU, MR. HENDERSON.

TWO HOURS LATER, DICKIE WAS DRIVING DOWN THE MUD TRACK THAT LED TO THE COTTAGE, WHEN...
JACK, WE'RE STUCK IN THE MUD! GET OUT AND PUSH.

Based on Associated-Rediffusion's Television series "The Dickie Henderson Show"

DICKIE'S SEARCH LED HIM TO THE KITCHEN...

HA...GHOSTLY? SUPERSTITIOUS N-N-NONSENSE...HA...HA...

THEN DICKIE DISAPPEARED DOWN A HOLE...

AAAGH!

WHAT WAS THAT? JACK, WHERE ARE YOU?

DOWN HERE!

GO AND FIND DICKIE.

WHERE'S HE GOT TO?

KIND TRIP WIRE!

AAGH! WHAT'S THAT FLASH?

JACK RAN BACK TO JUNE...

JACK, STOP SHAKING... LOOK! THE CELLAR DOOR.

SUDDENLY, LIGHTNING LIT THE SCENE...

DICKIE!

COME ON, WE'LL WALK TO THE NEXT VILLAGE AND PUT UP AT THE INN!

THE NEXT MORNING AT THE BREAKFAST TABLE OF THE FALCON INN...

WHAT'S THE MATTER, DICKIE? YOU LOOK AS IF YOU'VE SEEN A GHOST!

ACCORDING TO THIS MORNING'S PAPER WE'RE ALL GHOSTS!

GHOST RESEARCHERS PROVE HOUSE IS HAUNTED

THE HAUNTED HOUSE

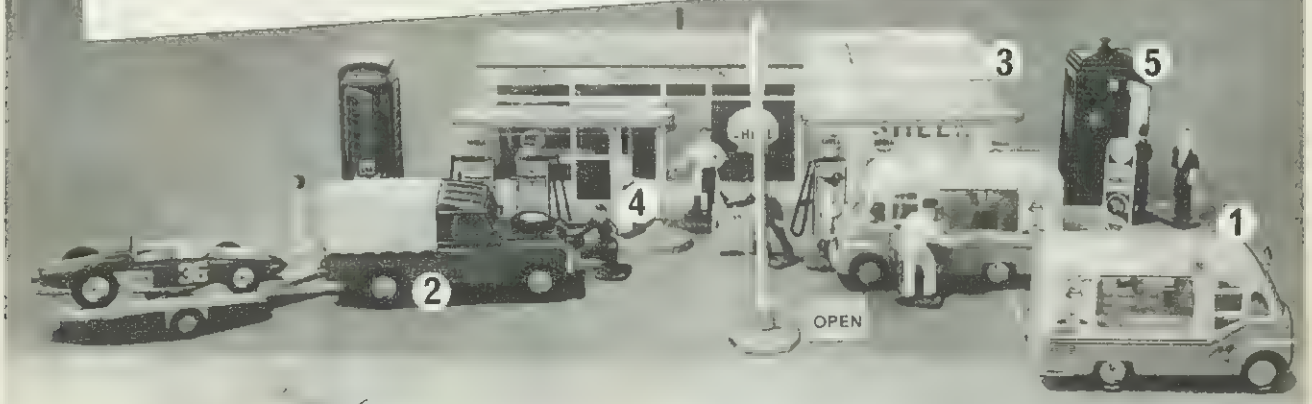
FLASH PHOTO OF GHOST

MARKS LEFT IN FRENCH CHALK BY GHOSTS

Next week, Dickie goes shopping—there are super laughs in the Supermarket!

SAVE 1/- ON ANY CORGI TOY

WITH TWO Shreddies COUPONS



INCLUDING THESE GREAT NEW MODELS

Ask Mum to buy Shreddies in the special pack illustrating Corgi Toys. Because on top is a tear-off coupon worth 6d to you. Collect two of these coupons and you can buy *any* Corgi model you want—at a shilling off! The latest super models, illustrated above, are in your Corgi shop now—so get munching those Shreddies!

BOY—WHAT A DELICIOUS WAY TO ADD MORE CORGI TOYS TO YOUR COLLECTION!

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TRADE MARK REG'D
PRECISION DIE-CAST SCALE MODELS

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Yes, another super realistic model alive with features! Look! There are sliding windows, and by using a swivel under the chassis the ice cream salesman can serve from either side. Fully detailed interior and 4-wheel Glidamatic suspension. Authentically finished in the colours and insignia of the real Mister Softee van. Length 3⅝". Price **6/4d.**

(2) **Gift Set No. 17**
Landrover towing a Ferrari Formula 1 Grand Prix Racing Car on Trailer. A must for your racing layout. Overall length 7⅞". Price **10/-**

(3) **608 Shell or B.P. Service Station**
A fully authentic Corgi Kits replica, complete with transfers. Length 9". Price **4/11d.**

(4) **609 Shell or B.P. Forecourt Accessories**
Includes 2 pump islands with canopies, 5 petrol pumps, 2-stroke pump, oil cabinet, oil bottle trolley, 4 canisters, airpump, service signs and transfers. Price **4/11d.**

(5) **610 Metropolitan Police Box**
with policeman plus a Public Telephone Kiosk with girl talking. Price **3/-** ...

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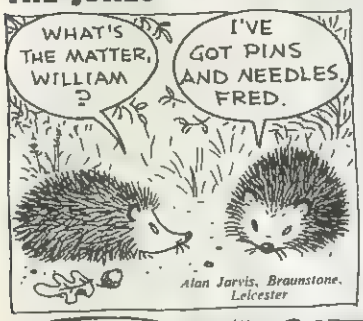
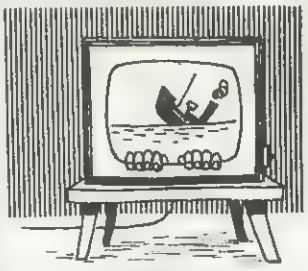
PICK OF THE JOKES

Send an original joke on a postcard. If it is published you will win £1 . . . Write your name, address and age, and post your entry to:—TV COMIC, TV PUBLICATIONS LTD., 37/39 HIGH HOLBORN, LONDON, W.C.1.



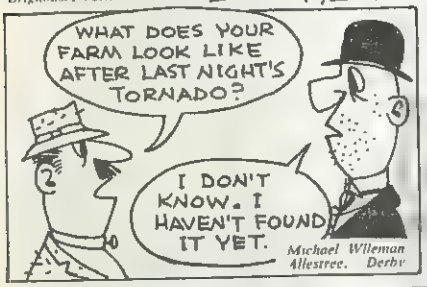
Alan Jarvis, Braunstone, Leicester



Paul Hey-Shipton, Hull, E. Yorks.

Michael Hall, Brighouse, York

Michael Bayliss, Cradley Heath, Staffs.



Michael Wileman, Allestree, Derby

National

'OPEN MIKE'

Hi there everyone! I've been very busy this week. I had to fly Supercar to Australia with a very important message, then I got back and found a lot of letters waiting for me. You'd be surprised at the number of letters from Club Members I answer each week. Lots of them ask questions about the Supercar Team. Things like "How did Professor Popkiss come to wear spectacles ?" Well, the answer to that one is that he has to because he is very shortsighted. You know, that question from Glenford Bishop who lives in Malmesbury, Wiltshire, set me thinking. Is Glenford worried about wearing spectacles ? Or is any other Club Member worried about having to wear them ? Well you shouldn't be! Your eyes are just about the most precious gift you've got. If you wear glasses, it's because you need them to protect your eyesight. So there's nothing wrong in wearing them at all, is there ? OK ? Be writing again next month.

Roger and out *Mike Mercury*

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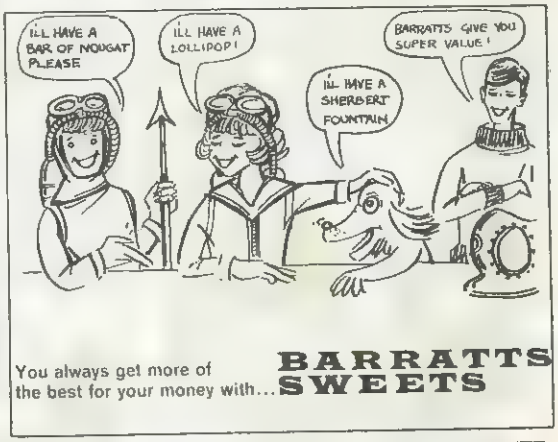
THE ADVENTURES OF BOBBITY, BABS & BUSTER

The BARRATTS trouble shooters

BOBBITY, BABS AND BUSTER'S FRIEND THE TV DEEP-SEA DIVER WAS IN TROUBLE! A SWORDFISH HAD CUT HIS AIR-LINE AND WAS ATTACKING HIM!



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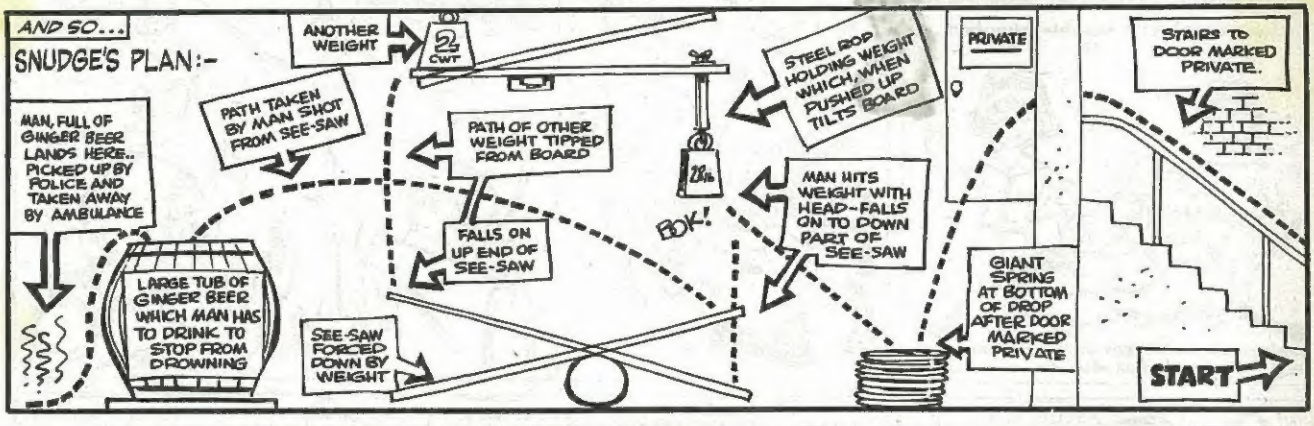
Bootsie and Snudge

DON'T YOU NOT NEVER LIE, BISLEY. YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU'VE DONE WITH MY HOMBERGER... HAVE YOU AND JOHNSON BEEN PLAYING FOOTBALL WITH IT AGAIN?
HONEST, MR. SNUDGE- I AIN'T TOUCHED YOUR ROTTEN OL' HAT!

WELL IT AIN'T NOT JUST WALKED OFF... I MEAN HAT'S CAN'T NOT NEVER WALK.
SNUDGE, HOW DARE YOU FIGHT IN HERE! YOUR HAT HAS PROBABLY BEEN STOLEN BY THE SNEAK THIEF AT WORK IN THE STORE.

IT'S NOT RIGHT, IT ISN'T. WHY DON'T YOU BAR THE WINDOWS? YOU KNOW, WITH THOSE LONG ROUND PIECES OF IRON, LIKE.
WE TRIED THAT, AND THE THIEF STOLE THE BARS...


AND SO...
SNUDGE'S PLAN:-
ANOTHER WEIGHT
2 CWT
STEEL ROD HOLDING WEIGHT WHICH, WHEN PUSHED UP TILTS BOARD
PRIVATE
STAIRS TO DOOR MARKED PRIVATE.
PATH TAKEN BY MAN SHOT FROM SEE-SAW
MAN, FULL OF GINGER BEER LANDS HERE.. PICKED UP BY POLICE AND TAKEN AWAY BY AMBULANCE
PATH OF OTHER WEIGHT TIPPED FROM BOARD
28lb
MAN HITS WEIGHT WITH HEAD- FALLS ON TO DOWN PART OF SEE-SAW
BOK!
FALLS ON UP END OF SEE-SAW
GIANT SPRING AT BOTTOM OF DROP AFTER DOOR MARKED PRIVATE
LARGE TUB OF GINGER BEER WHICH MAN HAS TO DRINK TO STOP FROM DROWNING
SEE-SAW FORCED DOWN BY WEIGHT
START

YEAH... WELL... IT'S LOVELY, MR. SNUDGE - IT'S ALL TRICKY AN' TWISTED AN' SLY... JUST LIKE YOU!
YOU MAY SNEER, BISLEY, BUT WHEN MR. CARPER SEES WHAT I 'AVE DONE, HE WILL REALISE IT'S ME WHAT'S CLEVER!

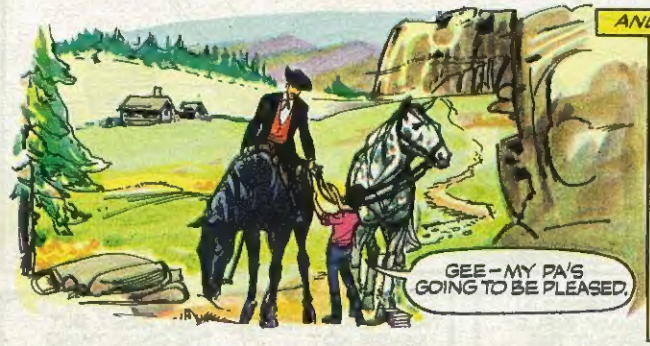
Adapted from Granada's Television series "Bootsie and Snudge."

THERE AIN'T NOT NO FEAR OF IT NOT NEVER WORKING, SAH ... BISLEY, GIVE THE SAH A DEMONSTRATION.
GRR! IF YOU WANT IT TESTED, YOU DO IT YOURSELF, DON'T LOOK AT ME!
PRIVATE
THE THIEF SEES THE DOOR MARKED 'PRIVATE', AND, BEING A CROOK, STEPS THROUGH...
PRIVA
...THUS.
BOING!!
SPLOSH!
GLURP! GLURP!
HO! HO! MR. SNUDGE, IF YOUR TRAP DOESN'T EXHAUST HIM, IT'LL KNOCK HIM UNCONSCIOUS FROM LAUGHTER.
BISLEY! QUICKLY— AN AMBULANCE— SNUDGE HAS DRUNK TOO MUCH GINGER BEER.
NEXT DAY...
WELL?
YES THANKS, SNUDGE—I WASN'T FEELING TOO GOOD BEFORE I STARTED ON THESE GRAPES, BUT NOW I'M A LOT BETTER... MUST HAVE BEEN HUNGRY.
I AIN'T NOT INTERESTED IN YOUR 'ORRID TUMMY, BISLEY... I WAS ASKING ABOUT THE TRAP WHAT I LAID!
OH...WELL... THERE WAS A, AH, SORT OF MIX UP, LIKE.
YOU MEAN— THE SNEAK THIEF NEVER NOT CAME?
HE CAME ALL RIGHT, BUT THE ONLY THING HE SNEAK THIEVED...
...WAS YOUR CAREFULLY BUILT SNEAK THIEF TRAP!

Do you believe in talking dogs? Snudge does—see next week's TV COMIC!

The MILKY BAR KID

THE Melchek family arrive in Candy Springs with a Government Land Grant to farm part of Russ McCord's ranch. Unable to drive off the farmer by force, McCord hits on the plan of framing him for horse stealing. Meanwhile, young Lejac Melchek has made friends with the Milky Bar Kid and Jane . . .



Get an entry form from your nearest sweet shop and send it along with either one 7d. or two 3½d. Milky Bar wrappers, to the address shown on the entry form.

There are great prizes to be won, folks, 5 firsts, each of £50's worth of toys, plus 50 Indian Wigwams as consolation awards.

TOKEN

If you win a prize in my competition, this token will get you an extra TV COMIC bonus prize. So send it in with your entry

A RECEPTACLE
PRESENTATION